

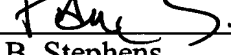
**REMARKS**

Claims 1-7 are pending and at issue. These claims stand rejected on a single ground, i.e., as non-statutory, obviousness-type double patenting over copending application Serial No. 10/393,671. The applicant's representatives attach herewith a terminal disclaimer that obviates this rejection.

The application is in condition for immediate allowance.

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